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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No. <b>08/994,531</b>	Applicant(s) <b>SALVADOR et al.</b>
	Examiner <b>Christopher Grant</b>	Group Art Unit <b>2711</b>

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Christopher Grant

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Date of Interview Feb 1, 2000

Type:  Telephonic  Personal (copy is given to  applicant  applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted:  Yes  No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement  was reached.  was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: None

Identification of prior art discussed:

none

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Discussed issues relating to the examiner's response to the 1.31 declaration as indicated in the Office Action mailed 12/01/99. The examiner informed applicant that (1) the declaration needs to indicate that the invention was completed in the USA or NAFTA or WTO member country; (2) the statement that testing was performed prior to March 16 1995 (in the declaration) appears to be acceptable for the showing of facts; and (3) a statement indicating that the exhibits submitted are photocopies of the original drawings or sketches is required.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1.  It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2.  Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

  
**CHRISTOPHER GRANT**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**  
**ART UNIT 2711**

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.